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1. CHINA

NCNA ANNOUNCED MONDAY PEKING ARRIVAL OF SCHLESINGER AND
PARTY FOR 20-DAY PRIVATE VISIT AS GUESTS OF PRC INSTITUTE
OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS; GREETED AT AIRPORT BY USLO'S DEAN,
KO PO-NIEN OF INSTITUTE AND FORMINISTRY'S LIN PING (UPI,
NYDN; CSM 9/7). AIDE SAYS SCHLESINGER MAY VISIT SINKIANG
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PROVINCE, INNER MONGOLIA, TIBET (UPI, NYDN; WP 9/6).

TASS (PEKING) DISPATCH SAYS PRC HAS AGAIN REFUSED PERMIT
SOVIET REPS LAY WREATHS AT GRAVES OF SOVIET SOLDIERS WHO

DIED IN CHINA FIGHTING JAPANESE IN WWII (WP 9/7).

PRC REPORTS ALL 400 TANGSHAN PRIMARY/MIDDLE SCHOOLS, CLOSED BY JULY 28 EARTHQUAKE, HAVE OPENED FOR FALL TERM (WP 9/5).

CNA REPORTS ROC IS SENDING FOOD, CLOTHING, OTHER SUPPLIES TO PRC QUAKE-STRICKEN AREAS BY UNMANNED HIGH-ALTITUDE BALLOONS. ROC MIL SPOKESMAN SAYS DEVICE CARRIED BY 100-FT-TALL BALLOONS FIXES TIME OF FLIGHT AND DIRECTION; EACH BALLOON CAN CARRY UP TO 400 POUNDS SUPPLIES, COSTS ABOUT 700 DOLS (REUTER PHINQ).

2. INDOCHINA/THAILAND

VN GIVES AMEMBASSY PARIS NAMES 12 KIA US AIRMEN, IT SAYS (CSM) IS GOOD-WILL GESTURE DESIGNED STIMULATE NEGOTS FOR US AID. VN SAYS INFO ON FATE OF 12 ONLY RECENTLY COMPILED, RESTATES INTEREST IN IMPROVING RELS WITH US; HOPES US WILL RECIPROcate. WH SAYS PRES "ENCOURAGED" BY ACTION; ADDS VN HAS PROMISED PROVIDE INFO ON OTHER MIAS, AND "WE DON'T HAVE ANY PLANS OF NORMALIZING RELATIONS UNTIL WE RECEIVE THE NAMES" (WSJ; AP SUN, WP, PHINQ; UPI, NYDN).

VN GIVES INFO TO WIN US OK ON UN SEAT; HANOI UN ENVOY CITES EFFORTS TRACE MIAS IN HOPE BID FOR UN SEAT WOULD WIN US APPROVAL, BUT NO INFO FROM WASHINGTON ON HOW WILL VOTE (UPI, NYDN). SEEN AS SIGNIFICANT THAT VN COMMUNICATING DIRECTLY WITH AMEMBASSY INSTEAD OF THRU HOUSE MIA CMTE AS DID YR AGO. OBSERVERS SEE ATTEMPT EASE US OPPOSITION TO VN APPLICATION FOR UN MEMBERSHIP (AP SUN, WP, PHINQ). VN ACTION BELIEVED LINKED TO FORTHCOMING DEBATE IN UNSC ON HANOI APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP. SECSTATE RECENTLY SAID US ATTITUDE ON VN ADMISSION THIS YR WOULD DEPEND ON VN WILLINGNESS HELP DETERMINE MIAS' FATE. DOD NOTIFYING 12'S NEXT-OF-KIN. WH, DOS WELCOME RELEASE INFO ON 12, BUT DEMAND FULL ACCOUNTING (NYT SPEC).

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WP'S WEIL INTERVIEWS KIN OF AF OFFICER LISTED AS DEAD BY VN; FAMILY FEELS "SAD RELIEF" AT KNOWING FATE.

LE DUAN VISITS PAULO CONDOR WHERE WAS JAILED 11 YRS BY FRENCH. SAYS PRISON WAS "SCHOOL OF REVOLUTIONARY NATIONALISM" (AFP, NYT). PHAM VAN DONG CALLS FOR MATERIAL WELFARE/LIVING CONDITION IMPROVEMENTS OF VIETS, URGES MODERNIZATION INDUSTRY/AGRIC, BROADER ECON/CULTURAL RELS WITH SOCIALIST, OTHER COUNTRIES (WP 9/5).

AT MOSCOW, BREZHNEV MEETS WITH LAOTIAN PREMIER KAYSONE PHOMVIHAN, WISHES SUCCESS IN CONSTRUCTING "POPULAR DEMOCRATIC SYSTEM" (WP); SUGGESTS LAOS HAS IMPORTANT

ROLE PLAY IN SUPPORTING ASIA PROGRESSIVE MOVEMENTS (AP, NYT).

EGYPT, SENEGAL, GUINEA OPEN DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS AT PP. IEENG SARY WILL REPRESENT CAMBODIA AT NEXT UNGA SESSION (WP 9/5).

CONFLICTING STORIES EMERGE ON SIHANOUK'S FATE: REPORT SAYS PRINCE LIVES IN PALACE, IS CONSULTED ON FOPOL;

ANOTHER STATES SIHANOUK/FAMILY VIRTUAL PRISONERS IN VILLA, GROW OWN VEGETABLES. OVERSEAS MAIL TO PRINCE RETURNED TO SENDER UNOPENED (NYT).

FRANCE ACCUSES PP OF RULING WITH BRUTAL/SHOCKING METHODS, FORCING UNJUSTIFIED SUFFERING ON PEOPLE. STATEMENT BY FOREIGN MINISTRY IS HARSHEST FRENCH CONDEMNATION OF KR SINCE TOOK POWER (REUTER, NYT 9/5). SOME DEFECTIONS REPORTED AMONG KR DISENCHANTED WITH LONG PATROLS, NO PAY, KILLING KHmers TRYING FLEE (REUTER ARANYAPRATHET). CAMBODIA ASKS RTG RETURN 4 SENIOR FORMER PP OFFICIALS LIVING AS REFUGEES IN THAILAND (NYT 9/5).

RTG AF CMDR SAYS US HAS SHIPPED LAST MIL AIRCRAFT FLOWN IN LAST YR BY FLEEING SVIETS; NEITHER MFA, AMEMBASSY WOULD COMMENT ON REMARK (WP).

ABOUT 1000 VILLAGERS IN NE THAILAND STAGE DEMONSTRATION UNCLASSIFIED

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DEMANDING RELEASE OVER 60 THAIS ARRESTED FOR RANSACKING VIET REFUGEE HOMES (AP, NYT 9/5). POLICEMAN KILLED IN COMMUNIST ATTACK IN S THAILAND (AP, NYT).

PRINCE WAN WATHAYAKON DIES AT 85; WAS RTG AMB TO UNGA 1956-7, FONMIN IN 1952, AMB TO US/CHIEF DELEGATE TO UN IN 1947 (AP, NYDN; PHINQ).

3. THAILAND/HONG KONG

MARRIAGE BROKERS IN COLONY SEEK PAIR CHINESE MEN, THAI WOMEN. MANY MEN ELDERLY WORKERS FROM SE CHINA WHO SPEAK ONLY HOME DIALECT, CAN'T COURT LOCAL WOMEN, SO LOOK TO THAIS WHO SPEAK DIALECT. BROKERS MAKE GOOD MONEY, BUT RESULTS SOMETIMES MIXED (UPI, NYT).

4. JAPAN

SOV PILOT FLEW WORLD'S FASTEST PLANE, MIG-25, INTO HAKODATE CIVIL AIRPORT 1:57 PM MON, WITHOUT CLEARANCE; ASKED ASYLUM IN US. JAPANESE OFFICIALS AT OUTSET DECLINED RELEASE NAME. POLICE SAID TOOK OFF FROM FIELD

NEAR VLADIVOSTOK. SPOKESMAN SAID DOS CONSULTING WITH JAPAN, CONSIDERING ASYLUM REQUEST. SOV EMBASSY TOKYO DEMANDED IMMEDIATE RETURN OF PILOT/TOP-SECRET JET; WARNED WOULD NOT TOLERATE GOJ APPROVAL OF PILOT'S EFFORTS WIN ASYLUM. ALSO ASKED MEETING WITH PILOT; BUT GOJ OFFICIALS SAID HE MUST APPROVE FIRST.

SPOKESMAN SAID MIG-25 DETECTED ON RADAR, WARNED NOT ENTER JAPANESE AIRSPACE. TWO F-4S SCRAMBLED TO INTERCEPT, LOST MIG-25 ON RADAR. SOV PILOT LANDED UNCHALLENGED AT HAKODATE; POLICE SENT TO GUARD PLANE, WHICH NOT COVERED UNTIL MILLIONS GOT CLOSE-UP VIEW ON TV. NATO OFFICIALS SAID INTERESTED IN ELECTRONIC GEAR ON PLANE, WHICH CONSIDERED INTELL PRIZE IN WEST (UPI, NYDN; PHINQ; SEIDEN, SUN; NYT SPEC, TOKYO). MFA SPOKESMAN SAID GOJ PROBING FOR MORE INFO, WOULD RETURN PLANE TO SOV, IF REALLY WAS CASE OF EMERGENCY LANDING (POND, CSM). MFA LATER IDENTIFIED PILOT AS 29-YEAR OLD SOV ARMY 1 LT, VIKTOR IVANOVICH BELENKO (SAAR, WP, ALSO IN GLOBE). UNCLASSIFIED

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POLICE SAID PILOT BEING QUESTIONED TO DETERMINE WHETHER TOOK OFF FROM E SIBERIA BASE WITH INTENTION DEFECT, OR DECIDED ASK ASYLUM ONLY AFTER BLUNDERING INTO EMERGENCY LANDING IN JAPAN (SAAR).

NYT CARRIES "JANE'S ALL THE WORLD'S AIRCRAFT" DESCRIPTION OF MIG-25, REPORTED CAPABLE OF MACH 3.2 SPEED. COMBAT RADIOS 700 MILES. SERVICE CEILING 90,000 FT. NAMED "FOXBAT" BY NATO.

KICHIRO ONO FORCED RESIGN AS CHAIRMAN JAPAN BROADCASTING CORP BY WAVE OF CRITICISM THAT FOLLOWED HIS CALL ON TANAKA AT HOME, 2 DAYS AFTER RELEASED ON BAIL. TOLD PRESS WOULD NOT RESIGN, BUT LETTER OF RESIGNATION REPORTEDLY DATED TUES ACCEPTED BY EMERGENCY MEETING OF NETWORK'S BOARD OF GOVERNORS FRIDAY. ONO SERVED AS TELECOM V-MIN 1956-59, DURING PART OF WHICH PERIOD TANAKA WAS TELECOM MIN (UPI, NYT 9/5; WSJ 9/7).

FRIDAY 20,000 PEOPLE HELD RALLY TOKYO, ADOPTED RESOLUTION, CALLED FOR FULL PROBE LOCKHEED PAYOFFS. RALLY SPONSORED BY GROUP OPPOSED US-JAPAN MST (AFP, WP 9/6).

FORMER ANA EXEC WAKASA RELEASED SAT ON 83,000-DOL BAIL; ANA DIRECTOR KOICHI FUJIWARA ALSO RELEASED. BOTH ARRESTED FOR ROLE IN LOCKHEED PAYOFFS (WSJ, TOKYO).

WW II FIGHTER ACE MAKING BICENTENNIAL TOKYO-SEATTLE FLIGHT. GOT SLEEPY, DISORIENTED, LANDED CRESCENT CITY, CALIF, 32 HOURS AFTER TAKEOFF. FIRST JAPAN-TO-US SOLO SINGLE-ENGINE FLIGHT (NYT 9/7).

5. KOREA

INS ORDERS "IMMEDIATE STEPS" TAKEN TO DEPORT HUNDREDS OF FOREIGN MOON SECT MEMBERS. UNIFICATION CHURCH SPOKESMAN SAID MOST OF 700 PREPARING RETURN VOLUNTARILY TO KOREA/JAPAN (AP, WSTAR 9/5; NYT 9/6), FOLLOWING REV MOON'S "BICENTENNIAL GOD BLESS AMERICA FESTIVAL" AT WASHINGTON MONUMENT SEPT 18 (MEYER, WP 9/4).

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UNC/NK AGREED MON KEEP GUARDS APART IN PANMUNJOM TRUCE VILLAGE TO AVOID FURTHER CLASHES (WSJ; CSM). WH SPOKESMAN SAID ARRANGEMENT "HOPEFULLY" WILL PREVENT RECURRENCE OF "UNPROVOKED ATTACKS." UNC SPOKESMAN SAID AGREEMENT WILL GO INTO EFFECT IN 10 DAYS. US/SK WELCOMED "REALISTIC AND CONSTRUCTIVE" STEPS TOWARD BETTER SECURITY. US/ROK GOVT SAID JOINTLY "ARE DETERMINED TO RESPOND FIRMLY" TO NK PROVOCATION IN FUTURE. UNDER NEW ARRANGEMENT, 800-YD DIAMETER JSA WILL BE DIVIDED IN HALF ALONG MDL, GUARDS WILL STAY IN OWN SECTOR, NK WILL WITHDRAW FOUR CHECK-POINTS FROM SOUTHERN SECTOR, BOTH SIDES GUARANTEE FREE MOVEMENT PRESS/OTHER CIVILIANS THROUGHOUT JSA (AP NYDN, WP, SUN, GLOBE; PHINQ). AGREEMENT TECHNICALLY SUPPLEMENTS 1953 TRUCE ACCORD; UNC VIEWS SIGNATURE BY NK REP GEN HAN AS COVERING CHINESE ARMY, WHICH WAS PARTY TO ORIGINAL TRUCE (BINDER, NYT).

6. PHILIPPINES

UNIDENTIFIED ARMED MEN, BELIEVED MOSLEM SECESSIONISTS, RAIDED 2 S PHIL TOWNS, KILLED POLICE CHIEF, 5 OTHERS (AP, NYT 9/5).

TAAL VOLCANO, 45 MI S OF MANILA, SENDS ROCKS, ASH-LADEN STEAM 3000 FT INTO AIR AS UNDERGROUND EXPLOSIONS RECORDED FOR 1ST TIME DURING 4 DAYS OF ERUPTIONS (AP, NYDN).

7. AUSTRALIA/ NEW ZEALAND

AUSSIE OFFICIALS AGREE VOLUNTARILY STOP USING LOOPHOLE IN US IMPORT LAWS TO SHIP BEEF IN EXCESS OF QUOTA BY WAY OF PUERTO RICO (REUTER, SUN 9/4).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

8. INDOCHINA

NYT9/4) NOTES HANOI'S URGING US NOT BLOCK VN ADMISSION TO UN; REVIEWS "REFRESHINGLY INDEPENDENT, MODERATELY PRO-AMERICAN" HANOI STANCE AT COLOMBO SUMMIT. BUT BELIEVES POSITIVE US RESPONSE TO VN APPEAL SHOULD SHOW THAT WE

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ADHERE TO UN CHARTER RULES, SUPPORT UNIVERSAL MEMBERSHIP, RATHER THAN AS REWARD FOR ANYTHING HANOI SAID OR APPROVAL OF WAY VN GOVERNED.

ANDELMAN (NYT) AT VIENTIANE SEES MIXED RESULTS IN PL ATTEMPT REBUILD LAOS INTO SELF-SUFFICIENT SOCIALIST STATE. NOTES FOOD/FUEL PROBLEMS, CONTINUING INSURGENCY. SAYS ARMED PL GUARDS EVERYWHERE AS GOVT ENFORCES STRICT MEASURES. STATES MANY HAVE GONE FOR RE-EDUCATION, FEW HAVE RETURNED; ESTIMATES 200,000 HAVE LEFT COUNTRY. REPORTS FACT TOP MINISTERS RARELY SEEN IN PUBLIC LEADS TO SPECULATION OVER HOW GOVT RUN, WHO MAKES DECISIONS, WHETHER TREND IS TOWARD LIBERALIZATION OR HARSHNESS.

9. PAPUA-NEW GUINEA

DELAPLANE (GLOBE 9/5) DESCRIBES VISIT AS TRIP BACK TO STONE AGE. MENTIONS 5000 AMCITS PER YR VISIT, AS WELL AS MANY JAPANESE.

10. CHINA

WP'S MATHEWS, IN HK, NOTES CHINESE PEASANTS IN MIDST OF FAR-REACHING EFFORT TO REMAKE THEIR FARMLANDS, TRYING MECHANIZE ALL COUNTRY'S FARMING BY FOLLOWING EXAMPLE OF TACHAI PRODUCTION BRIGADE THAT TURNED ROCKY MOUNTAIN-SIDE INTO LUSH FIELDS. VIEWS THIS AS NOTHING LESS THAN ATTEMPT REPEAT CHAOTIC "GREATLEAP FORWARD," BUT THIS TIME IN SECOND GEAR; SAYS PROJECT SEEMS MOST IMPORTANT ELEMENT ALTERING LIVES OF RURAL CHINESE (9/5).

NYT'S BUTTERFIELD, IN TAIPEI, CITES GROC DENIAL IT IS REPROCESSING URANIUM, AND REFUSAL US OFFICIALS IN ROC TO COMMENT ON ALLEGATIONS TO THIS EFFECT IN LAST WEEK'S WP, NYT. ACCORDING BUTTERFIELD, US EMBASSY IN ROC IS KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN SURPRISED BY REPORTS AND TO HAVE NO EVIDENCE TO CONFIRM NEWSPAPER ALLEGATIONS.

IN TWO-PART EDIT, NYT OBSERVES THAT ROC DENIALS REGARDING REPROCESSING URANIUM HAVE NOT IMPRESSED WASHINGTON INSIDERS. SAYS IF REPORTS TRUE, THEN PROFOUND REAPPRAISAL
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WILL BE NEEDED FOR US' CHINA POLICY, NONPROLIFERATION STRATEGY AND NUCLEAR EXPORT CONTROLS. CONTENDS CONGRESS OUGHT FIND OUT WHY ADMIN, AFTER REFUSING SINCE 1969 TO SELL TAIWAN REPROCESSING PLANT, DID NOT REACT MORE VIGOROUSLY AGAINST TAIPEI'S OPEN IMPORTATION/ASSEMBLY

OF COMPONENTS FOR "HOT CELL" FOR SMALL-SCALE PLUTONIUM
REPROCESSING.

NYT ADDS THAT ROC'S PRESUMED NUKE VIOLATION BRINGS INTO
QUESTION US SECURITY GUARANTEE WHICH, AS IN CASE OF
JAPAN/SK, IS DESIGNED PROVIDE NUKE UMBRELLA IN PLACE OF
NATIONAL ACQUISITION OF NUKE. FEARS US, UNFORTUNATELY,
HAS UNDERMINED ITS SECURITY GUARANTEE BY TALK IN
WASHINGTON AND AMONG CHINA EXPERTS OF "NORMALIZATION"
RELS WITH PEKING -- WITHOUT FIRST SOLVING TAIWAN SECURITY
PROBLEM. HOLDS THAT PARTIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF PEKING AND
THIRD WORLD FOR ROC'S CLANDESTINE EVASION OF IAEA/

NPT/US COMMITMENTS SHOULD GIVE WASHINGTON SOME MORAL
LEVERAGE IN WORKING OUT REASONABLE SOLUTION MAKING
SECURITY OF AUTONOMOUS NON-NUCLEAR TAIWAN THE INESCAPABLE
CONDITION FOR NORMALIZATION RELS WITH PEKING.

11. TIBET

NYT (9/6 OPED) CARRIES REPORT BY DALAI LAMA REP TENZIN
TETHONG ASKING US PUBLIC, WORLD AT LARGE, NOT BE
CONFUSED BY "COMPLICATED ARGUMENTS AND SUBTLE DIFFERENCES
IN INTERPRETATIONS OF HISTORICAL AND TECHNICAL MATTERS"
ABOUT TIBET. MAINTAINS CLAIM THAT TIBETANS/MONGOLIANS
ARE PART OF CHINESE RACE, "IRRESPECTIVE OF THE ACTUAL
FACTS," IS CLASSIC EXAMPLE OF HAN CHAUVINISM. ASKS
WHY TIBETAN SELF-DETERMINATION CAUSE IS "CONVENIENTLY
FORGOTTEN," WHY CHINESE REMAIN IN TIBET.

GLOBE EDIT WELCOMES PICTURE OF "THE NEW TIBET, AN
INTEGRATED CHINESE PROVINCE," AS REVEALED IN NEVILLE
MAXWELL'S NYT DISPATCHES.

12. JAPAN

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SAAR (WP) QUOTES WELL-INFORMED SOURCES THAT MFA INTENT
ON SOLVING DIPL DIFFICULTIES CAUSED BY DEFECTON USSR
PILOT WITH MIG-25 WITHOUT ADDING TO SOVIET EMBARRASSMENT,
ANGER. OPINES US ACCEPTANCE OF PILOT'S REQUEST FOR
ASYLUM WOULD HELP SUBSTANTIALLY. NOTES GOJ POLICY NOT
GRANT POLITICAL ASYLUM, BUT TO GIVE TEMPORARY STAY TO
REFUGEES HEADING FOR 3RD COUNTRIES. BELIEVES DISPOSITION,
HANDLING OF PLANE LIKELY PROVE THORNY PROBLEM. SAYS
AFTER RECENT AGGRESSIVE USSR PATROLLING NEAR JAPAN,
MOSCOW IN POOR SHAPE DEMAND IMMEDIATE RETURN MIG. STATES
MIG'S EASY PENETRATION JAPAN'S AIR DEFENSE EMBARRASSES
SELF-DEFENSE AGENCY'S OFFICIALS. ADDS USSR RECON MISSIONS
CLOSE TO JAPAN HAVE SPURRED PUBLIC FEELING FOR
STRENGTHENED DEFENSE FORCES; MAJOR EMPHASIS IN JAPAN

NOT PILOT'S DEFECTION, BUT EASE WITH WHICH HE ARRIVED.

SEN PROXMIRE, IN LTR TO WP, SAYS CRIMINAL PROHIBITION
FOREIGN BRIBES, DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENT FOR FOREIGN
PAYMENTS ARE COMPATIBLE, REINFORCE EACH OTHER.

SEIDEN (SUN 9/6) DISCUSSES SUMO, SAYS OBESITY, TRADITION
HALLMARKS OF RITUALISTIC WRESTLING. PARADE MAG (WP 9/6)
NOTES PROSTITUTION ABOLISHED 20 YRS AGO, ADDS LAW HAS
NO PUNITIVE PROVISION, SO OLDEST PROFESSION THRIVES,
ESPECIALLY IN 1300 TURKISH BATHS THAT EMPLOY 20,000 WOMEN.

ESTIMATES SOME GIRLS EARN 5-7000 DOLS/MO.

13. KOREA

GLOBE (9/4) INSISTS OPTIONS US POLICYMAKERS FACE IN SK ARE
WIDER THAN CHOOSING BETWEEN PARK'S TYRANNY AND COMMUNIST
TAKEOVER. US CAN/SHOULD PUBLICLY CONDEMN PARK FOR HIS
CONTINUED DISREGARD BASIC HUMAN LIBERTIES, INTENSIFY
BEHIND-SCENES PRESSURE TO MAKE HIM CONFORM TO MINIMUM
STANDARDS OF CIVILIZED CONDUCT. SAYS IT STRAINS
IMAGINATION TO CONCEIVE HOW PARK WOULD DARE MOVE AGAINST
18 DISSIDENTS RECENTLY WITHOUT CONFIDENCE THAT HIS
ABSOLUTISM RESTED ON BASE OF US POWER. SEES TRAIL OF 18
PRESENTING DRAMATIC OPPORTUNITY HAVE AMB SNEIDER SIT IN
ON SESSIONS AS ELOQUENT GESTURE OF COMPASSION FOR
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DESTRUCTION DEFENDANTS' RIGHTS; INSTEAD, US ASSIGNED
TWO KOREAN EMBASSY EMPLOYEES, DIPLOMATS AVOIDED COURT-
ROOM. SAYS MORALITY MUST BE COMPONENT OF OUR FOPOLICY, BUT
"IN KOREA, TRAGICALLY, IT IS NOT."

ROWAN (WSTAR 9/3) SEES US IN KOREA IN DANGER OF BEING
DRAGGED INTO WAR WHICH WOULD PROVE AS UNPOPULAR AS
INDOCHINA DEBACLE. SAYS THIS DANGER BECAME OBVIOUS
WHEN US RESPONSE TO SLAYING OF TWO GI'S IN DMZ WAS "WEAK,
SILLY SHOW" OF NAVAL, AF HARDWARE. THINKS US MAY NOT BE
ABLE CONTROL KOREAN EVENTS, COULD WIND UP FIGHTING ON
BEHALF SK GOVT THAT FALLS FAR SHORT OF FREEDOM WE PURPORT
DEFEND.

CDN'S BEECH (9/2), IN SEOUL, SAYS ALL'S NOT WELL IN NK;
NOTES MORE THAN ONE VISITOR HAS DESCRIBED IT AS ARMED
CAMP, PROBABLY MOST HEAVILY-ARMED NATION ON EARTH.
RECOUNTS EXAMPLES OF KIM IL SUNG'S EGOMANIA, ABSOLUTE RULE.

WP, WSTAR (9/5) RUN FULL-PAGE UNIFICATION CHUR AD: "MEET
US AT THE MONUMENT SEPT 18TH" FOR "GOD BLESS AMERICA
FESTIVAL," WITH "WORLD'S GREATEST INTERNATIONAL FIREWORKS."

14. GENERAL

IN ARTICLE ON NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION, HORNIG (WSTAR 9/4) REPORTS CHANGES IN US POLICY BEING CONSIDERED BY ADMIN. MENTIONS UNCONFIRMED REPORTS THAT TAIWAN SECRETLY REPROCESSING FUEL, HAS CAPACITY MAKE BOMBS. NOTES NUKE CLUB INCLUDES PRC; WITHIN 3 YRS SEVERAL COUNTRIES PROBABLY CAPABLE JOINING, INCLUDING TAIWAN, JAPAN; WITHIN 4-6 YRS SK COULD ALSO PROBABLY JOIN.

LAT'S MCARTHUR (WP 9/5) DOES PIECE ON FINE ART OF SMUGGLING IN SEA. CONSIDERS IT BIGGEST EMPLOYER/MONEY-MAKER IN AREA AFTER FARMING, FISHING. DESCRIBES VARIETY OF MERCHANDISE, METHODS USED, GOVT EFFORTS AT CONTROL, WITH THAILAND, INDONESIA ATTEMPTING CRACKDOWNS. QUOTES ECONOMISTS THAT LOWER, REALISTIC TARIFFS WOULD CURTAIL SMUGGLING, AS URGED BY SINGAPORE'S PM LEE TO ASEAN PARTNERS. ROBINSON

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